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**INVENTION:** 

DATA PROCESSING METHOD AND SYSTEM OF SAME,

PORTABLE DEVICE, DATA PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF SAME, AND PROGRAM

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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the references listed on Form PTO-1449, copies of which are enclosed herewith in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98, be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States Patent.

Document AM, Japanese 10-105472 relates to a method for managing access of memory for transferring the right of access to a data file or memory area from a high-order person to a low-order person by eliminating the participation of the high-order person from the data file.

Document AN, Japanese 11-120300 relates to a portable card medium; memory space managing method, issuing method and program data writing method for a portable card medium; and a medium on which a memory space managing program is recorded to prevent data managed by other application functions from being taken out of the portable card medium such as an Integrated Circuit card.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claimed invention is distinguishable and non-obvious over the enclosed references, taken singly or in combination.

Accordingly, early consideration and allowance of the application, including the claims, are hereby requested.

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